



CLEVELAND PARK
CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

June 9, 2012

Dear CPCA Members,

It's hard to believe that another CPCA "Season" has nearly past. You may recall that we kicked off the 2011/2012 Season with a program in September featuring Councilwoman Mary Cheh. She addressed the concern that the attention focused on ethics behavior among DC City Council members created a dysfunctional Council government. She was quite reassuring at the time. How sad that our City Council is in seemingly more disarray than last September.

And so we will end our Season much in the way we began. Councilmember Phil Mendelson will appear at our Annual Meeting next Thursday, June 14th. As the leading candidate to take over as Council chair, his insights into the state of the DC City Council will be especially pertinent.

At our Annual Meeting we also elect our Board and Officers. Each Board member serves for a one-year term. We have not had any nominations by petition. The slate is as follows:

Susie Taylor	President	Jeff Davis	At-Large
Ann Hamilton	1 st Vice President	Chris Fioravante	At-Large
Ruth Caplan	2 nd Vice President	Clark Madigan	At-Large
John Korbel	Treasurer	Mark Rosenman	At-Large
Ana Evans	Corresponding Secretary	Margie Siegel	At-Large
Rachel Cox	Recording Secretary		

This is an excellent opportunity to meet our members who have agreed to serve on the Board. Additionally, CPCA President Susie Taylor will offer an assessment of what CPCA has accomplished during the Season as compared to the Work Plan approved by the membership last fall. We will also seek your ideas for what CPCA should set as priorities for the upcoming year. Your input is critical and we hope that you will attend.

ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, June 14

6:30 PM TO 8:30 PM

CLEVELAND PARK LIBRARY -- 1ST FLOOR MEETING ROOM

GUEST SPEAKER PHIL MENDELSON

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

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Looking back, at our May meeting, we learned facts about why criminals are attracted to certain neighborhoods and what we as a community can do to discourage crime in Cleveland Park. Commander Michael Reese, Assistant Chief Diane Groomes and ANC Commissioner from Georgetown Bill Starrels led a fascinating discussion. For example, Assistant Chief Groomes acknowledged a link between the establishments in commercial areas focused on serving liquor and street crime. She said most crimes are crimes of opportunity – if perpetrators know about a bar or restaurant from which drunken patrons often exit, they will target the area and the bar's patrons. She also indicated that the police have had serious problems with the McFadden's chain that's planning to locate in place of Ireland's Four Fields. We continue to press the Alcoholic Beverage and Control Board for the need to create a Voluntary Agreement with McFaddens (aka the Uptown Taproom).

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 14th!

Best,

Susie Taylor and the CPCA Board

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